



**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No.	:	09/926,384	Confirmation No.:	9837
Applicant	:	S. Mizukawa		
Filed	:	Oct. 23, 2001		
Title	:	Blade Material Cutting Device		
TC/A.U.	:	3724		
Examiner	:	J. D. Prone		
Docket No.	:	MIZU3002/FJD		
Customer No.	:	23364		

**RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA. 22202-3514

Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

The following amendments and remarks are being submitted herewith pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.112 in response to the Office Action of December 1, 2004. The period for response to which has been extended to April 1, 2005. Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on the attached page having the heading "Amendments to the Claims".

Remarks begin on the attached page having the heading "Remarks".